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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MATCHING AN INCIDENT TO A ROUTE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment into the patent application filed herewith, which is continuation of prior U.S. Patent Application No. 09/495,812:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting the following new section on page 1 after the title:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of prior United States Patent Application No. 09/495,812, filed February 1, 2000, *and now uspat 6,353,795* priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, and the foregoing application is incorporated herein by reference.

In the Claims:

Cancel Claims 1-65 and add new Claims 66-81 as shown below:

66. (New) A method of determining if an incident is on a travel route, the method comprising:
- generating regions of interest surrounding each of a plurality of segments of the travel route;
- determining that the incident is within one region of interest; and
- determining that the incident is on the travel route.
67. (New) The method of Claim 66, wherein said incident comprises coordinates

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